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SUBJ: LANGUAGE TRAINING - WILLIAM R. COOPER

REF: STATE 167279

- 1. MR. WILLIAM R. COOPER, FSS-6, PRESENTLY A MANDARIN LANGUAGE STUDENT AT NANYANG UNIVERSITY, REQUESTS APPROVAL TO LEASE PRIVATE QUARTERS OFF CAMPUS IN LIEU OF QUARTERS NOW OCCUPIED IN DORMITORY ON CAMPUS OF UNIVERSITY.
- 2. MR. COOPER INITIAL DECISION TO ACCEPT ON-CAMPUS HOUSING WAS BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT LIVING WITH CHINESE STUDENTS WOULD FACILITATE HIS OWN STUDY OF THE LANGUAGE. THREE MONTHS EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THIS NOT TO BE THE CASE. THE CENTRAL PROBLEM IS LACK OF PRIVACY. MR. COOPER PRESENTLY SHARES A 10' X 12' DORMITORY ROOM WITH ONE PERSON AND THEY SHARE TOILET FACILITIES WITH THREE OTHER STUDENTS. THEIR ROOM IS USED AS A LATE NIGHT GATHERING PLACE FOR THE ROOMMATES FRIENDS. AS THE ROOM IS NOT AIR CONDITIONED, VENTILATION IS ONLY ACHIEVED BY LEAVING THE WINDOWS OPEN TO THE OUTSIDE NOISE AND COMMOTION. COOKING FACILITIES ARE NOT PROVIDED AND LAUNDRY FACILITIES ARE CONSIDERED INADEQUATE. MR. COOPER DOES NOT FEEL SITUATION IS CONDUCIVE TO CONCENTRATED STUDY.
- 3. THE POST HAS REVIEWED THE ABOVE REQUEST AND CONCURS IN MR. COOPERS REQUEST TO SEEK PRIVATELY LEASED QUARTERS.
- 4. IN ORDER TO MEET THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF QUARTERS THRU 6/30/76, THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO OBLIGATE ADUNCLASSIFIED

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DITIONAL FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,520. THIS WOULD ALLOW MR.

COOPER TO RENT AN APARTMENT	WITHIN THE PRICE RANGE SET BY THE
RENTAL CONTROL BOARD AT THIS	S POST.

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